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The Term Existence

Terms and definitions are crucial for any topic of discussion.

I contend the terms and definitions presented within this ontology are more practical and more coherent than standard terms and definitions, specifically the term “existence”.

Standard definitions of existence are ambiguous and circular. They provide no means of substantiation.

Existence is commonly defined as:

Existence (noun)

1. The fact or state of existing; being
   (American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition
   https://www.thefreedictionary.com/existence)

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Existence (noun)

1. a : the state or fact of having being especially independently of human consciousness and as contrasted with nonexistence
   (Existence. Merriam-Webster.com Dictionary, Merriam-Webster,
   https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/existence)

Existence is defined as being.

Being is defined as existence:

Being (noun)

1. The state or quality of having existence
   (American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, Fifth Edition
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The terms and definitions are circular. Existence is being, being is existence. The terms form a circular loop.

If existence is being, and being existence, what is being or existence? They are undefined.

The ontology presented, however, precisely defines what existence is:

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> *Existence (n.): Being; that which is perceived, at least in part; that which is interacted with, at least in part, in some way.*

There is no circular loop. Existence is explicitly defined with a practical, coherent definition.

With the standard terms existence is ambiguous; existence is being which is existence.

With the term provided existence is defined; existence is that which is perceived or interacted with, at least in part.

Not only are the standard terms circular and ambiguous, they also fail to provide any substantiation of existence as the term presented here.

With the definition provided one could point to a tree, or any other thing, and declare existence. The tree would be perceived or interacted with substantiating it as existence.

One could see an object, touch a texture, hear a sound, smell a fragrance and easily declare existence. With the standard definitions one would likely be rather perplexed.

The dual-nature definition, involving both perception and interaction, frees the philosophy from a purely biological, conscious perspective of perception.

The philosophy presented not only offers a comprehensive foundational ontology it also offers clearer, more practical and more coherent definitions of key terms as illustrated here.

The standard terms are locked in a vacuous loop of abstraction. They serve to relate some distant ambiguity.

The definition provided maintains abstraction while also breaking free of the circularity of standard terms by grounding itself in concrete, real world examples through practical means of substantiation.

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Despite dissatisfaction with certain standard definitions others are quite sufficient.

Perception or perceive, for example, not only commonly concerns sensory experience but also mental apprehension:

Perception (noun)

1. the act or faculty of apprehending by means of the senses or the mind; cognition; awareness
   (Random House Kernerman Webster’s College Dictionary
   https://www.thefreedictionary.com/perception)

Perceive (verb)

1. to become aware of (something) through the senses, esp the sight; recognize or observe
2. to come to comprehend; grasp
   (Collins English Dictionary Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition
   https://www.thefreedictionary.com/perceive)

Jupiter123 abc1231 ↪ daniel j lavender Oct 3

The I am and the soul exists as well as the binary processing biological machine which claims to exist and not exist Daniel.

Silenus Kallikantzaros Oct 3

The voices said so…so it must be so.

Jupiter123 abc1231 Oct 3

Go and learn about REAL science Silenus and then post.

Silenus Kallikantzaros Oct 3

I heard a voice!!
I must obey…

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